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July 12: The United States consul at Sagua la Grande reports that during the week ended July 10 there were in that city 40 new cases and 3 deaths reported from yellow fever, and 124 cases and 4 deaths from smallpox.

Sanitary reports from Habana.

HABANA, CUBA, *July 17, 1897.*

SIR: I have the honor to transmit the following report of this office for the week ended July 15, 1897:

It would appear by the mortality report that yellow fever is not increasing in Habana, but such is not the case. This disease is increasing among the Spanish soldiers, and the figures in my table do not represent the true state of affairs.

The mortality reports are obtained from the two cemeteries, the Colon and Baptist; there is no other way to obtain them.

Smallpox is decreasing. There are not over a dozen cases in the military hospitals, and about that number in the city proper. Since reporting the danger of infection to American vessels lying at Tallapiedra Wharf, two schooners have arrived. The masters, having been advised by me to discharge their cargoes in the open bay, have not taken their vessels to this foul place. * * * The weather is very warm, but the rainfall is said to be less than the average for this season of the year.

Mortality of the City of Habana for the week ended July 15, 1897.—Yellow fever, military hospitals, 39; city, 1; total, 40. Typhoid fever, 11; pernicious fever, 10; paludal fever, 2; borras fever, 1; smallpox, city, 1; total, 1. Enteritis, 12; dysentery, 9; glanders, 1; pneumonia, 6; tuberculosis, 29; deaths from all causes, 235.

Very respectfully, W. F. BRUNNER,
Assistant Sanitary Inspector, U. S. M. H. S.

HABANA, CUBA, *July 17, 1897.*

SIR: The Spanish steamship *Barcelona* left here yesterday for Vera Cruz, Mexico, her destination after that port being New York. This vessel took a supplemental bill of health. I inspected the vessel, and after repeated efforts on my part to have crew muster, I found 1 man missing, who, when found in his stateroom, proved to be the third engineer, sick with a suspicious fever. He had been taken sick the day before, with symptoms of yellow fever; and while I am not sure of my diagnosis, the case appeared to me to be that disease. The attempt to conceal the man for nearly one hour only confirms my opinion. This vessel carries a physician. As this vessel did not go direct to the United States, and as it will be from ten to fourteen days before she can reach New York, I did not telegraph the circumstances to the Bureau.

Very respectfully, W. F. BRUNNER,
Assistant Sanitary Inspector, U. S. M. H. S.

Sanitary precautions in Santiago.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, *July 1, 1897.*

SIR: I am in receipt of your communication of the 19th instant, containing timely instructions concerning people being shipped to the United States from this island. I have shipped 1 woman and 4 children, whose husband and father were in New York; but hereafter I shall move